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AMENDMENT AFTER FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please consider the following in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on October 9, 2008. This response is being filed within the initial three-month period for response, to and including January 9, 2009, so no extensions of time are believed necessary. However, if any extensions are required, Applicants ask that the Commissioner grant such extensions and authorizes the Commissioner to deduct any necessary fees from Deposit Account 13-0014.

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